Labour Ministry's Employment Market Information, have made a study. That is only a study and, according to our survey, the growth of employment in the organised sector, both the public sector and the private sector put together, is 1.4 per cent.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : We want the separate figures.

SHRI P. A. SANGMA : I don't have the separate figures.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : Mr. Chairman, Sir, I should be protected.. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI JAGESH DESAI : The Minister should give us the figures.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : The figures are available with me but I will not quote them. I would ask the Minister to reserve the question and reply to it the next time.

MR. CHAIRMAN : I think that is a legitimate thing. There should be some way of finding out the increase in unemployment or employment in the public sector.. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : In the Legislative Assembly of my State, these figures were given.

SHRI P. A. SANGMA : Sir, I will pass on the information later.

MR. CHAIRMAN : The Minister will get that information for you later. You put your second supplementary.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : Without that, I cannot put my second supplementary at all. The question should be reserved.

MR. CHAIRMAN : The Minister says that he does not have separate information.

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : This question should be reserved and taken up on the next occasion so that I can put proper questions on that.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY : Sir, there is a procedure for postponing a question. I think the information on this question is absolutely inadequate. You may ask the Minister to come prepared and the question can be postponed.

SYED SIBTEY RAZI : I have a submission to make. Before you decide to postpone the question, I would like to submit that we want the figures State-wise as well because we are interested in knowing what the proportion of increase in employment State-wise is. If the Minister is coming again he can supply the State-wise figures also.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Will it be all right if the Minister gives an assurance that he will give you that information ?

SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR : I feel that the question should be postponed or else there should be a Half-an-Hour discussion on it.

SHRI JIBON ROY : Yes, there should be a Half-an-Hour discussion on it.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Mr. Minister, can we postpone the question to another date ?

SHRI P. A. SANGMA : Yes.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Yes, we will have this question on some other day.

MR. CHAIRMAN : Q. No. 387.

*387. *[The Questioner (Shri Ajit P. K. Jogi) was absent. For answer* vide *column infra]*

साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लिमिटेड द्वारा अरपा नदी पर पुल का निर्माण

***388. श्री गोविन्द राम मिरी :** क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या साउथ ईस्टर्न कोलफील्ड्स लि० ने मध्य प्रदेश के बिलासपुर जिले में अरपा नदी पर पुल बनाने का कार्य आरंभ किया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसमें अब तक कितनी प्रगति हुई है और यह कार्य कब तक पूरा हो जाएगा ; और

(ग) उसकी प्रस्तावित लागत कितनी है और निर्माण कार्य पर अब तक कितनी राशि खर्च की जा चुकी है ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Soil investigation is complete. Design has been submitted to Chief Engineer P.W.D. M.P. for approval. The bridge is expected to be completed by January, 1996.

(c) The estimated cost of the Project is Rs. 2.80 crores. Mobilisation advance of Rs. 1.00 crore has been paid to Indian Railway Construction Company Limited who are executing the job, on turn key basis.

श्री गोविन्द राम मिरी : सभापति महोदय, गत विधान सभा चुनाव के समय वोट लेने के लिए यह घोषणा की गयी थी कि 1994 में पुल का निर्माण पूरा कर दिया जाएगा । मैं वहां रहता हूं । वहां पर मंत्री जी के नाम का पत्थर लगाने के सिवाय कोई कार्य नहीं हुआ है । तो मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूं कि यह जो गोल-मोल जवाब दिया गया है कि खाका प्रस्तुत कर दिया गया है, तो यह खाका कब प्रस्तुत किया गया था और इस पर क्या फालोअप ऐक्शन हो रहा है ? सेकंड क्वेश्चन मेरा यह है कि कहीं ऐसा तो नहीं है कि जब अगले लोकसभा के चुनाव आयेंगे, उस समय ही यह कार्य नहीं प्रारंभ किया जायेगा ? तब ही इस पर कोई कार्यवाही की जाय ऐसी तो कोई मंशा नहीं है, यह मैं मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूं ?

SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA : Mr. Chairman, Sir, I am not aware of any such thing happening before the Vidhan Sabha elections in Madhya Pradesh. But I have clearly stated that as per the report obtained, the completion of the work is estimated to be by January, 1996.

श्री गोविन्द राम मिरी : सर, मेरा स्पेसिफिक क्वेश्चन था कि 1993 के असेंबली के चुनाव में कहा गया था कि 1994 तक उसको पूरा कर देंगे लेकिन अब कह रहे हैं 1996 में पूरा हो जायेगा । तो क्या, अगले चुनाव तक के लिए इसको पोस्टपॉन रखेंगे और वोट कमाने की योजना के तहत 'गो स्लो' कार्यवाही कर रहे हैं ?

MR. CHAIRMAN : The Minister gave a specific time, i.e. January, 1996. He has given the time by when it will be completed. Who can say whether or not there will be an election at that time ?

श्री गोविन्द राम मिरी : सभापति महोदय, मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि यह 1994 में पूरा क्यों नहीं होगा ? 1996 में इसको पूरा करने के लिए कह रहे हैं, इसका क्या कारण है और जो नक्शा दिया गया है उस पर क्या फालो-अप ऐक्शन हुआ है ?

MR. CHAIRMAN : That is a legitimate question. Would the Minister kindly answer why it could not be done earlier than 1996 ?

SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA : Sir, sanction of the work at a cost of Rs. 2.80 crore was given to IRCON on 10th March, 1993. The soil had to be tested. Thereafter, taking every angle of the work into consideration, it has to be constructed. One point came up—the public also represented—that the place where it was initially proposed would create congestion in the town of Bilaspur. So, the Commissioner called a meeting and slightly changed the alignment so that there would be no congestion. That was why there was some amount of delay. But the gestation period of such a huge project on the river, Arpa—there are two bridges already and this is the third bridge on which they are going to construct—will usually be 3-4 years. So, it was to be completed by December, 1995. It has been extended to January, 1996. This time-lag took place because of the changed realignment.

Farmer to Farmer Exchange under Upov

*389. SHRI G. G. SWELL :†
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA :

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that under UPOV 1978 dispensation farmer to farmer exchange will be possible for new seeds with the permission of plant breeder's only ;

(b) whether 1991 UPOV version moves the system of plant variety protection nearer the patent system by imposing restrictions on the right of the farmer to propagating material even for use on his own holding ;

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†The question was actually asked on the floor of the House by Shri G. G. Swell.